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STATE FOR RP, AF/E, OLIVER GRIFFITH, AND AF/C AISTON;  
ROME FOR FODAG; GENEVA FOR RMA

E.O. 12356: DECL:OADR  
TAGS: PINS, PREL, PREF, EAID, TZ, RW, BY, US  
SUBJECT: GOT REITERATES REQUEST FOR AID IN EVACUATING  
TANZANIANS FROM RWANDA; SOME REFUGEE MOVEMENT INTO  
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TANZANIA

REF: A.) DAR ES SALAAM 2147 (NOTAL)  
- B.) DAR ES SALAAM 2146 (NOTAL)

1. (C) DRAWING SELECTIVELY ON RECENT REPORTING ON  
RWANDA AND BURUNDI SITUATIONS, CHARGE BRIEFED MFA  
DIRECTOR OF AFRICA/MIDDLE EAST DIVISION, SHANI LWENO,  
ON APRIL 8. LWENO EXPRESSED HIS GRATITUDE FOR THE  
UPDATE BUT REITERATED GOT REQUEST FOR USG ASSISTANCE  
IN EVACUATING TANZANIANS FROM RWANDA (REF A). NOTING

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THAT HE HAD NOT YET RECEIVED AN OFFICIAL RESPONSE FROM THE DEPARTMENT, CHARGE REMINDED LWENO TO CONTACT ALSO THE UN AND THE BELGIANS, TWO PARTIES LIKELY TO BE INVOLVED IN ANY EVACUATION EXERCISE. LWENO INFORMED CHARGE THAT ONE OF THE UNAMIR COMMANDERS HAD INDICATED UNAMIR WOULD PROVIDE AN ESCORT FOR EXPATRIATE EVACUEES IF THE UN DETERMINED THAT AN EVACUATION SHOULD PROCEED. THIS HAD DONE MUCH TO REASSURE THE GOT WHICH, AS A RESULT, WAS MORE "RELAXED" ABOUT THE RWANDA SITUATION TODAY. (COMMENT: CHARGE LATER SPOKE TO ACTING UNDP RESREP VISSERS WHO DOUBTED THE GOT HAD OBTAINED SUCH ASSURANCES FROM UNAMIR. END COMMENT).

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2. (LOU) ASKED ABOUT THE NUMBERS OF TANZANIANS IN RWANDA, LWENO ESTIMATED THAT THERE WERE NO MORE THAN TWENTY TANZANIAN DIPLOMATIC STAFF AND FAMILY MEMBERS (INCLUDING ONE HOUSEMAID) IN KIGALI. HOWEVER, THERE WERE PROBABLY ABOUT 3,000 NON-DIPLOMATIC TANZANIANS SCATTERED THROUGHOUT RWANDA. IN BURUNDI, THE NUMBERS WERE FAR LOWER--ONE TANZANIAN DIPLOMATIC STAFF PERSON,  
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SERVING AS ADMINISTRATIVE CARETAKER OF GOT PROPERTY REMAINING IN BUJUMBURA (THE GOT CLOSED ITS EMBASSY IN BURUNDI RECENTLY), AND 100-500 CITIZENS WITHOUT DIPLOMATIC STATUS.

3. (LOU) CHARGE TOOK OPPORTUNITY TO REPEAT REQUEST FOR AN MFA BRIEFING FOR FOREIGN DIPLOMATS ON THE GOT REACTION TO THE CENTRAL AFRICAN CRISIS (REF B). LWENO ASSURED CHARGE THAT HIS SUPERIORS HAD ACCEPTED THE SUGGESTION; THE ONLY QUESTION WAS WHEN TO SCHEDULE THE MEETING.

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SOME REFUGEE MOVEMENT INTO TANZANIA  
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4. (U) ACCORDING TO THE UNHCR SUB-OFFICE IN NGARA, 800 BURUNDI CROSSED INTO NGARA DISTRICT, TANZANIA ON APRIL 7. WHEN TOLD BY THE TANZANIAN CUSTOMS OFFICER THAT THERE WAS CALM IN BUJUMBURA, MANY IMMEDIATELY RETURNED TO BURUNDI. SOME SPENT THE NIGHT IN TANZANIA AND ARE EXPECTED TO RETURN TO BURUNDI TODAY. THEY HAD NO INFORMATION ABOUT THE RWANDAN BORDER. UNHCR SUB-OFFICES IN KASULU, KIBONDO, AND NGARA HAVE SENT

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TEAMS TO SURVEY THE BORDER.

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5. (U) INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE IN KIGOMA HAS  
LEARNED THAT 4,000 RWANDANS HAVE CROSSED INTO NGARA  
DISTRICT.

6. BUJUMBURA MINIMIZE CONSIDERED. BROWNING  
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